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STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the status of the above-identified application, particularly, when we will receive an ISSUE NOTIFICATION. The Issue Fee was paid on December 3, 2004.

Applicants respectfully submit that there is no fee required for this submission, however, please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

Respectfully/submitted,

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